

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF PLATTSBURGH, NEW YORK**

June 3, 2010

5:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Present: Councilors Tim Carpenter (W1), Michael Kelly (W2), George Rabideau (W3), Jim Calnon (W4), Amy Valentine (W5), Chris Jackson (W6)

Absent: Mayor Kasprzak

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the regular meeting of the Common Council held on May 27, 2010 are approved and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Carpenter; Seconded by Councilor Kelly

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

2. PAYROLLS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS:

RESOLVED: That the payrolls of the various Departments of the City of Plattsburgh for the week ending June 2, 2010 in the amount of \$ 248,542.22 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby empowered and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Valentine

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

3. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICES & COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Report of Fire and Ambulance Responses for the week of May 27 – June 2, 2010
- Report from the Building Inspector's Office from March 22 – May 25, 2010

RESOLVED: That the reports as read are hereby ordered, received and placed on file among the public records of the City Clerk's Office.

By Councilor Carpenter; Seconded by Councilor Jackson

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

4. CORRESPONDENCE & RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BOARDS: None

5. **AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

RESOLVED: That the bills approved by the Auditing Committee of the Common Council in the amount of \$ 377,333.27 are authorized and allowed and the Mayor and City Clerk (where required) are hereby authorized and directed to sign warrants drawn on the City Chamberlain for the payment thereof.

By Councilor Rabideau; Seconded by Councilor Jackson
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

6. **PERSONS ADDRESSING COUNCIL:**

Marit Martin of 46 Trembley Avenue representing the local sustainability group wanted to thank the council and the Mayor for their support for the Earth Day celebration at the Farmers Market and wanted to give accolades to Mike Brodi and his staff for all their work at that event. Also, representing the green committee they are doing a project to encourage people to recycle the recycled at the first City of Plattsburgh half-marathon using their own containers and they would like to do that at the Mayor's Cup and Battle of Plattsburgh events. They will be coming forward in the near future presenting plans on next years Earth Day celebration.

7. **OTHER ITEMS:**

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves Corporation Counsel John Clute to transfer the City of Plattsburgh Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund Administration responsibilities to Lake City Local Development Corporation.

By Councilor Carpenter; Seconded by Councilor Valentine
Discussion: None
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted
Follow up Action: None

B. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to approve a bond resolution of the City of Plattsburgh, New York, authorizing financing for the acquisition of public service equipment owned by the City to be used for maintenance and repairs of City infrastructure, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$575,000, appropriating said amount therefore, and authorizing the issuance of \$575,000 serial bonds of said City to finance said appropriation according to the attached detailed resolution included in the minutes of this meeting, accompanied by extract and estoppel certifications to be supplied after the required legal notice has been published.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

C. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to approve a bond resolution of the City of Plattsburgh, New York, authorizing financing for the acquisition of an aerial fire truck and apparatus owned by the City to be used for fire fighting, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$900,000, appropriating said amount therefore, and authorizing the issuance of \$900,000 serial bonds of said City to finance said appropriation according to the attached detailed resolution included in the minutes of this meeting, accompanied by extract and estoppel certifications to be supplied after the required legal notice has been published.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Jackson

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

D. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to approve a bond resolution of the City of Plattsburgh, New York, authorizing financing for the construction and reconstruction of streets owned by the City to be used for public conveyance, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$1,976,000, appropriating said amount therefore, and authorizing the issuance of \$885,000 serial bonds of said City together with Federal and New York State funds in the amount of \$1,091,000 to finance said appropriation per the attached detailed resolution included in the minutes of this meeting, accompanied by extract and estoppel certifications to be supplied after the required legal notice has been published.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Valentine

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

E. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the City Chamberlain to establish capital project H7220.39 for the renovation and equipment purchases needed for the Crete Bros Gym as detailed in the 2010 capital expenditure plan.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Valentine

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

F. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves City Engineer Kevin Farrington to advertise for bids for Contract # 2010-10, “One new 2011 single axle truck w/snow plow and multi-purpose dump spreader body.”

By Councilor Rabideau; Seconded by Councilor Jackson

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

G. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves City Engineer Kevin Farrington to advertise for bids for Contract # 2010-11, “One new 2011 tandem axle dump truck.”

By Councilor Rabideau; Seconded by Councilor Jackson

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

H. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves NYSEG to temporarily use, occupy, and travel over the property of the City of Plattsburgh in the course of performing the coal tar removal project to allow for portage and boat access above dammed area.

By Councilor Kelly; Seconded by Councilor Valentine

Discussion:

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

I. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves the “Upper Bridge Street Market Stalls” policy.

By Councilor Valentine; Seconded by Councilor Jackson

Discussion:

Councilor Rabideau makes a motion to table item “I” until next week with the request that we include a report from the City Clerk as far as any comments or conflicts that could arrive with this

particular policy. Also, a review and comments from the City Clerk advises our city insurance department as to what our present policy is versus this policy that we propose that the city insurance review and supply us with written comments on how they feel about the policy.

By Councilor Rabideau; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Tabled

Follow up Action: None

J. SEQR DETERMINATION – geothermal heating system

BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Plattsburgh, New York by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Common Council as follows:

1. The proposed action is: installation of geothermal heating system at City of Plattsburgh Police Department.
2. The proposed action is an unlisted action under SEQR.
3. The Common Council of the City of Plattsburgh is the only involved agency.
4. The proposed action is described in a SEQR long form EAF part 1 dated April 24, 2010.
5. The Common Council finds the project will have the impacts set forth in EAF part 2.
6. The Common Council finds the action will have no negative environmental impact; therefore, the Common Council concludes and declares the proposed action will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment.

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Valentine
Discussion:

Councilor Valentine just wanted to say she is really excited about us moving toward green technology thinks it is just great and hopes this is the first of many and wants people to know that it can be done residentially as well.

Councilor Carpenter was wondering what the time line will be because he is very interested in following this project. **Bill Treacy, MLD Manager** said he is hoping this is the last hurdle they have to go through and it will take about a month to install once they are able to start the project.

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

8. TRAVEL REQUEST:

A. RESOLVED: In accordance with the request therefore the Common Council approves two police officers to attend the “Crash Management Training Series; Basic Crash Management and

Intermediate Crash Management” in Albany, NY from June 27 – July 2, 2010 and August 8 –13, 2010 at an estimated cost not to exceed \$2,662.00 and will be paid out of Asset Forfeiture Fund (Split DOJ funds and Treasury funds).

By Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Carpenter

Discussion: None

Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson

(All voted in the affirmative)

ACTION TAKEN: Adopted

Follow up Action: None

9. RESOLUTIONS FOR INITIAL CONSIDERATION:

1. Request from the City Chamberlain to revise the previously adopted capital project H5110.31 needed for the acquisition of public service equipment and keeping within the amount planned for total equipment purchases in the 2010 capital expenditure plan.
2. Request from Corporation Counsel to approve the Economic Development Revolving Loan program Microenterprise grant program guidelines.

10. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Carpenter wished his son Jeremy a Happy Birthday.

Councilor Rabideau attended the first memorial service for the City Police Department they had dedication of 2 monuments. Sgt John Drollette was the solo bagpiper and did an excellent job. Police Chief and other members of the department planned the service. Three past police chiefs were in attendance and he thinks the wives and family members appreciated it and he appreciates all the work the police department did.

Councilor Calnon spoke about accepting the award on May 28th on behalf of the City of Plattsburgh from the Adirondack Tobacco Free network Reality Check program including the Town of Plattsburgh for the good work that we did making the public areas tobacco free. It was very nice, **Councilor Carpenter** was in attendance and it was nice to hear the student’s presentations and they did a very nice job and he really appreciates the award. **Steve Peters, Recreation Superintendant** was there and gets a great deal of the credit for trying to improve the health of our citizens. It was a good day.

Councilor Calnon stated that we thought we had reached an agreement with the health department regarding the beach. Thanked **Councilor Valentine** for suggesting the “sign change.” He had hoped we would be able to let people go in to the park and people could get closer to the water to take advantage of cooler breezes with out going in the water. Unfortunately, too many people were going in to the water. The health department rules state that when that happens they must tell us to close the park. We’ve complied reluctantly, he wasn’t a happy man and wasn’t happy that we seemed to be singled out for enforcement, however, he understands in the last 24 hours or so that has changed a little bit. We will persevere and get the beach open when we can.

11. CLOSING PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

Motion to Adjourn by Councilor Jackson; Seconded by Councilor Kelly
Roll call: Councilors Carpenter, Kelly, Rabideau, Calnon, Valentine, Jackson
(All voted in the affirmative)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 5:55 PM

MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:16 PM